

**UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF SCIENCE
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY
COURSE OUTLINE
WINTER 2017**

1. Course: CHEMISTRY 521 – Introduction to Atmospheric Chemistry

LEC	DAYS	TIME	ROOM	PROFESSOR	OFFICE	PHONE	E-MAIL	OFFICE HOUR
L01	TuTh	11:00-12:15	MS 211	Dr. Hans Osthoff	SB 205	220-8689	hosthoff@ucalgary.ca	TuTh 12:30-13:30

Desire2Learn (D2L): CHEM 521 L01 - (Winter 2017) - Introduction to Atmospheric Chemistry,
<https://d2l.ucalgary.ca/d2l/home/171366>

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- 2. Prerequisites:** Chemistry 315 and 373. Chemistry 471 is recommended.
(<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/chemistry.html> - 30269).
- 3. Grading:** The University policy on grading and related matters is described sections [F.1](#) and [F.2](#) of the online University Calendar. In determining the overall grade in the course the following weights will be used:

Assignments	20%
In-class participation	10%
Student in-class presentation	10%
Midterm exam (Feb 16, 2017)	20%
Final Examination (To be scheduled by the Registrar)	40%

Total	100%

The marks for each of the course components will be recorded as a numerical score and combined as shown above to arrive at the total numerical score, which will then be converted to a letter grade to be reported to the Registrar.

Approximate Grading Scale:

A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-
90% - 100%	85% - 89%	80% - 84%	76% - 79%	72% - 75%	68% - 71%

C+	C	C-	D+	D	F
64% - 67%	61% - 63%	56% - 60%	52% - 55%	45% - 51%	0% - 44%

- 4. Missed Components of Term Work:** The regulations of the Faculty of Science pertaining to this matter are found in the Faculty of Science area of the Calendar in [Section 3.6](#). It is the student's responsibility to familiarize himself/herself with these regulations. See also [Section E.6](#) of the University Calendar.

There are no deferred Midterm/ term test examinations. In the event that a student misses the midterm or any course work due to illness then an official medical note will be required. Absences must be reported **within 48 hrs**. If a student misses the midterm for other reasons, then analogous documentation will be required. The course coordinator will need to see the original documentation (not electronic copy) for review / decision and keep it (or a copy) for their records. The documentation must be provided to the course coordinator **within 15 days** of the date of the midterm in order for an excused absence to be considered. If an excused absence is approved, then the percentage weight of a legitimately missed midterm examination will be transferred to the final examination (see [Section E.3](#) of the University Calendar).

5. **Scheduled out-of-class activities:** None.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASSES HAVE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY OUT-OF-CLASS-TIME-ACTIVITY.

6. **Course Materials:** Required: "Introduction to Atmospheric Chemistry", Daniel J. Jacob, Princeton University Press (1999). This book is available on-line (<http://acmg.seas.harvard.edu/people/faculty/djj/book/>) or for purchase at the University bookstore.
Recommended: "Chemistry of the Upper and Lower Atmosphere", Barbara Finlayson-Pitts, James Pitts, Academic Press (2000).
7. **Examination Policy:** All examinations will be closed book. Only non-programmable calculators (e.g., Casio FX260) are permitted for use during the exam components of the course. Students should also read the Calendar, [Section G](#), on Examinations.
8. **Writing across the curriculum statement:** In this course, the quality of the student's writing in assignments and examinations will be a factor in their evaluation. See also [Section E.2](#) of the University Calendar.
9. **Reappraisal of Grades:** Students should be aware that the grade being reappraised may be raised, lowered or remain the same. See [Section I.3](#) of the University Calendar.
- (a) **Term work:** A student who feels that a piece of graded term work (term paper, essay, test, etc.) has been unfairly graded, may have the work re-graded. The student shall discuss the work with the Instructor **within 15 days** of either being notified about the mark, or of the item's return to the class. If not satisfied, the student shall immediately submit the *Reappraisal of Term work Grade form* to Associate Head of Chemistry, Dr. Farideh Jalilehvand (ahugchem@ucalgary.ca), who will arrange for a reassessment of the work if, and only if, the student's argument is valid. *Note:* Students should attempt to present their rational as effectively and as fully as possible. Mere dissatisfaction with a decision is not sufficient grounds for the appeal of a grade, or other academic decision. See sections [I.1](#) and [I.2](#) of the University Calendar.
- (b) **Final Exam:** A student wishing a reappraisal of the final grade should contact the instructor. If not satisfied, the student shall submit the request to the Enrolment Services. See [Section I.3](#) of the University Calendar.

10. OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS:

- (a) **Misconduct:** Academic misconduct (cheating, plagiarism, or any other form) is a very serious offence that will be dealt with rigorously in all cases. A single offence may lead to disciplinary probation or suspension or expulsion. The Faculty of Science follows a zero tolerance policy regarding dishonesty. Please read the sections of the University Calendar under [Section K](#) on Student Misconduct to inform yourself of definitions, processes and penalties.
Examples of academic misconduct include but are not limited to: submitting or presenting work as if it were the student's own work when it is not; submitting or presenting work in one course which has also been submitted in another course without the instructor's knowledge; borrowing experimental values from others without the instructor's approval; falsification/ fabrication of experimental values in a lab report; copying materials from written or electronic resources; non-authorized recording of lectures.
- (b) **Assembly Points:** In case of emergency during class time, be sure to FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF with the information on [assembly points](#).
- (c) **Academic Accommodation Policy:** Students needing an Accommodation because of a disability or medical condition should contact Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the procedure for accommodations for Students with Disabilities available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/procedure-for-accommodations-for-students-with-disabilities_0.pdf. Students needing an Accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfill requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to the Associate Head of Chemistry, Dr. Farideh Jalilehvand, by email ahugchem@ucalgary.ca or phone (403) 220-5353. Religious accommodation requests relating to class, test or exam scheduling or absences must be submitted no later than **14 days** prior to the date in question: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-4.html>
- (d) **Safewalk:** Campus Security will escort individuals day or night (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk/>). Call (403) 220-5333 for assistance. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phones located at most parking lot pay booths.

- (e) **Freedom of Information and Privacy:** This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP). As one consequence, students should identify themselves on all written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page. For more information see also <http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy>.
- (f) **Student Union Information:** VP Academic Phone: 403 220-3911 Email: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca
SU Faculty Rep. Phone: (403) 220-3913 e-mail science1@su.ucalgary.ca, science2@su.ucalgary.ca and science3@su.ucalgary.ca; Student Ombuds Office: (403) 220-6420 e-mail ombuds@ucalgary.ca
<http://ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds>
- (g) **Internet and Electronic Device Information:** You can assume that in all classes that you attend, your cell phone should be turned off unless instructed otherwise. Also, communication with other individuals, via laptop computers, Blackberries or other devices connectable to the Internet is not allowed in class time unless specifically permitted by the instructor. If you violate this policy you may be asked to leave the classroom. Repeated abuse may result in a charge of misconduct.
- (h) **USRI:** At the University of Calgary, feedback provided by students through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses (www.ucalgary.ca/usri). Your responses make a difference, please participate in USRI Surveys.

Department Approval: Approved by Department Head

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